

Hamish Mackie

HAMISH MACKIE SCULPTURE

LIFE IN BRONZE

A celebration of nature

SOLO EXHIBITION

Mall Galleries, London, SW1
Tues 13th - Sat 24th October 2020

In his first solo show since 2016, **'Life in Bronze'** brings together over 75 new works by British sculptor, Hamish Mackie, celebrating our relationship with the nature world. The exhibition includes contemporary, figurative and wildlife sculpture inspired by field studies across Europe, Asia, the Middle East, Antarctica, Australia and Africa.

Mackie's diverse range of work is marked by both vitality and veracity. Among the sculptures on display are monumental stainless steel ammonites, studies of the female figure, balletic compositions of hares boxing and a pair of bronze life size lions.

"You should be able to look wildlife sculpture in the eye and see life," says Mackie. He has an extraordinary ability to get under the skin of his subjects. This deep empathy comes from an acute observation of them in their natural habitat. He begins the sculpting process in the field from life, taking hundreds of photographs and working over an anatomically correct armature before finishing the clay maquettes in the studio. The original sculptures are

then replicated into bronze or other metals, using the ancient technique of lost-wax casting.

Since his last solo exhibition in 2016, Mackie has been awarded the PMSA (Public Sculptures and Monuments Association) Marsh Award for Excellence in Public Sculpture for his Goodman's Fields Horses. The six bronze life and a quarter size horses were commissioned by the Berkeley Group for the main piazza of their London development.

Mackie's sculptures are in corporate and private collections across the world. His bust of Sir Winston Churchill is held in The White House and Blenheim Palace. One of the first successful artists of his generation not to rely on commercial galleries, Mackie has established a global platform using the Web and organises his own solo shows. He works out of a purpose built studio in rural Oxfordshire where he lives with his wife and daughters.

The art critic Edward Lucie Smith calls Mackie **"one of the most talented and original wildlife sculptors of his time."**



Notes to Editors:

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Exhibition Opening Times

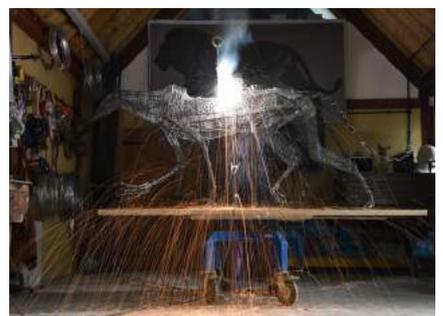
Tuesday 13th
Saturday 24th October 2020
10am - 5pm daily

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